(c) Government have considered all aspects before issuing its resolution on 29th December, 1989.

Production of high-priced milk under Operation Flood

*67. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the imbalances created by Operation Flood projects leading to high-priced Milk production thereby denying milk to a large section of the population and leading to surpluses ; and

(b if so, whether Government propose to review the situation and consider the Alternative approach plan mooted by the former Addl. Animal Husbandry Commissioner to the Government of India, in his paper published in the Indian Dairyman, Vol. 31 November, 1979 issue?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL) : (a) and (b) : Operation Flood is an integrated approach to dairy development concerned with the production, processing and marketing of milk through organised dairy cooperatives. The programme has assisted rural milk producers with technological interventions, supply of low cost balanced cattle feed, veterinary health care etc. and provided remunerative markets for the milk. No imbalances have been created by the Operation Flood Programme in terms of high-priced milk production or denial of milk to large section of the population. The current surpluses in terms of milk processing capacity are being tackled through expansion of processing capacities, strengthening of National Milk Grid, improved marketing strategies and promoting milk consumption. The question of adopting the alternative approach suggested is not feasible as the Operation Flood Programme has adopted sound and enduring strategies of development based on milk cattle.

Tribal sub-plan in the States

*68. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a tribal sub-plan has been chalked out with respect to Tribal development in different States including Assam and Bihar ; and

(b if so, what are the details of the sub-plan indicating the schemes and programmes contemplated and the targets fixed thereunder?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Seventeen States and 2 Union Territories, namely, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur Orissa, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tripura, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, A&N Islands and Daman & Diu are implementing Tribal sub-Plan with the objective of socio-economic development of scheduled Tribes. From the next year, the State of Jammu & Kashmir will also implement the Tribal sub-Plan. States of Nagaland, Mizoram, Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh and Union Territories of Lakshadweep and Dadra & Nagar Haveli have not been required to prepare Tribal sub-Plans because their State plans themselves are in a way tribal development plans.

The Tribal sub-plan strategy is based on twin approaches, namely, (i) promotion of developmental efforts through plan schemes to raise the level of development of